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A turnbuckle assembly (20) for use in a steering linkage (10) of a vehicle includes a first one-piece sleeve (30) having first and second axial ends (32, 34). The first axial end (32) of the first sleeve (30) has an internally threaded portion (36) which threadably engages a first threaded part (120). first axial end (32) of the first sleeve (30) includes an integrally formed clamp (38) which clamps the first axial end (32) to the first thréaded part (120). A second one-piece sleeve (60) has first and second axial ends (62, 64). The first axial end (62) of the second sleeve (60) has an internally threaded portion (66) which threadably engages a second threaded part (122). The first axial end (62) of the second sleeve (60) includes an integrally formed clamp (68) which clamps the first axial end (62) to the second threaded part (122). A connector member (90) interconnects the first and second sleeves (30, 60). The connector member (90) has a first axial end (92) non-rotatably connected to the second axial end (34) of the first sleeve (30). The connector member (90) has a second axial end (94) non-rotatably connected to the second axial end (64) of the second sleeve (60).